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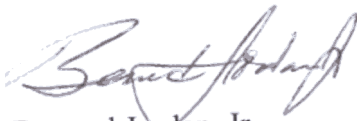
Dear Mrs. Rick

The Cotton Research and Promotion Program is one of the great success stories of the past twenty five years. The research and marketing efforts of Cotton Incorporated are the primary reason that cotton production is still a viable industry in the United States.

As a producer and also an Alternate Director of Cotton Inc., I have firsthand knowledge of the excellent services that the Cotton Research and Promotion Program provides for producers, merchants, mills and consumers. A referendum on the Cotton Research and Promotions Act is not necessary. The referendum would be a costly and time consuming interruption to the activities of the Cotton Board.

The majority of producers in my area are well satisfied with the Cotton Research and Promotions Program as it now functions. I know of very few producers that do not feel that their assessment dollars are well spent.

Sincerely,



Bernard Jordan, Jr.

